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MEMO

To: Lead Instructors, EMS Service Managers
From: Kenneth L. Threet, Training Coordinator
Date: Wednesday, December 07, 2005
RE: Important reminder and update

I want to update (and remind) you of two issues that will take place following January 1st, 2006.

First Issue: As you are aware, when the newest rules were adopted, two provisions of the rules were delayed until January 2006.

1. Assessing fees for EMT-First Responder were delayed. Both initial and renewal fees were delayed to allow departments who require EMT-FR licensure of their personnel time to adjust their budgets.
2. The "late renewal" fee was delayed to allow EMTs (at all levels) time to ascertain the importance in getting their renewals on time. The late fee penalty will be assessed to any individual who submits their renewal after March 31, 2006.

As of January 2006, licensure fees for the EMT-First Responder (both initial and renewal) will be required.

As of January 2006, a "late renewal penalty fee" will be required of all renewals postmarked or received electronically after March 31, 2006.

Second Issue: The Montana Board of Medical Examiners has decided to "waive" ½ of the renewal fee for the years of 2006 and 2007 for all levels of EMT. Your individual renewal materials mailed out in January will reflect a 50% reduction in renewal fees for this renewal cycle (two years) for all licensees of the Board. This "one time" renewal fee adjustment is being done for budgetary concerns and will only occur for this renewal period (two years) and only pertains to renewal fees not initial licensure fees.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Kris (841-2380) or Jerry (841-2328) or email dlibsmed@mt.gov.